

# Honolulu Star-Bulletin

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## BRITAIN'S FIGHT ON BOOZE.

### THE PRICE.

Perhaps the lives of twenty-one officers and men of the F-4 are the price the United States is paying for submarine safety.

It is not a peculiarity of the American people that great disaster is often required to bring forth safeguards for human life. Other nations are apathetic in appropriating money for needed precautions, or in enforcing public rules, until some horrible tragedy awakens them to the situation.

It took an Iroquois theater fire to wake up Chicago to an enforcement of modern fire-prevention rules.

It took the General Slocum disaster to wake up New York and several other cities to a realization of the rottenness of excursion steamer and ferry-boat conditions.

It took the sinking of the Titanic to wake up the trans-Atlantic passenger lines; to force the installation of more safeguards. Safety-at-sea congresses had been meeting for years and passing harmless resolutions. The Titanic went down in the night and stirred many nations to drastic action. It is not too much to say that the last Congress would not have passed the Seamen's bill had it not been for the loss of the Titanic.

Off the harbor of Honolulu a submarine sank in 300 feet of water with more than a score of men aboard.

Everybody knows now some of the things that might have hastened the raising of the F-4 before it was too late. Special diving suits enabling divers to work at 50 fathoms or over; a deep-sea tube such as has been hastily improvised; power engines and cranes for lifting a great weight from the bottom; stronger towing apparatus—had all this equipment been available the F-4 would have been located the first or second day and raised to the surface.

Everybody knows these things now and the layman is quick to criticize the navy because all this equipment was not here ready for use. As a matter of fact, it is extremely doubtful if the last two or three Congresses would have gone very far in supplying elaborate equipment for locating and raising submarines. One of the congressional specialties is turning down the earnest recommendations of army and navy experts.

But the tragedy of the F-4 has stirred the American people deeply. It has drawn sudden attention of the navy department itself to the need for more adequate equipment. Already, as reported on Saturday, the Brooklyn navy yard is considering a new and improved type of "mother ship," capable of raising sunken submarines.

Between now and the convening of the next Congress, this matter will be given much attention. And Congress will undoubtedly be asked for larger appropriations for the submarine division. When the request is made, the loss of the F-4 will be a potent argument for the appropriations.

### PULL TOGETHER.

From the Chamber of Commerce monthly bulletin:

"If you or any of your friends have ideas which, if successfully worked out, may benefit Honolulu and the territory and its people, won't you please jot them down and then tell the secretary about them so they can be brought before the chamber. You know the Chamber of Commerce is a clearing house for the exchange of ideas. It is possible some of the members may not think as you think, but then a thorough discussion of your theories may bring them about to your way of thinking. No one can stand out against right. Let's pull together. The world continues to move and the best way to move with it is to work in concert with one purpose and with one aim."

Beno's reversion to divorce type—a commercial atavism of peculiarly vicious kind—has aroused the bitterest criticism in every other state of the union. Apparently public sentiment on the divorce evil is moving forward as it began to move some years ago on the liquor evil. If so, it will not be many years until uniform and rigid divorce laws will bring to their senses those who slip into and out of wedlock as easily as into and out of a garment.

A well-known historian traces the present European war back to the Crusades. As a matter of fact, a good deal of it goes back to old Adam.

"Drink is doing more damage to this country than all the German submarines put together," was the exact sentence which fell from the lips of Chancellor Lloyd-George in his speech on February 28 at Bangor, Wales. This one utterance is destined to mark the beginning of a new epoch in English history. The people are greatly aroused. Huge mass meetings are being held. King George has spoken. So has Lord Kitchener. A movement for the prohibition of the liquor traffic as a war measure and possibly as a permanent law, is now making tremendous headway. The above statement of Lloyd-George was made after he had spoken as follows:

"I have something to say that is unpleasant. Most of our workmen are putting every ounce of their strength into this urgent work loyally and patriotically, but there are some who shirk their duty. Some workmen in the armament works refuse to work a full week for the nation's need. They are in the minority; the vast majority belongs to the class that we can depend on, but a small minority of workmen can throw whole works out of gear by reason sometimes of one thing and sometimes of another. But to be perfectly candid, it is mostly the lure of drink. They refuse to work full time, and when they do, their strength and efficiency are impaired through the way they have spent their leisure. Drink is doing us more damage than all the German submarines put together."

The chancellor then went on to say: "Russia has stopped drink. M. Bark, the Russian minister of finance, with whom I conferred in Paris, told me that the output of Russian workmen had increased from thirty to fifty per cent since the sale of vodka had been prohibited."

"M. Bark admitted that he had lost \$280,000,000 in yearly revenue, which he certainly could not afford, but he added that if the government proposed to revert to the old condition there would be a revolution in Russia."

"The stoppage of the sale of drink in Russia has been due entirely to the Czar, and it was one of the most heroic things of the war."

"France abolished the sale of absinthe by a ten to one majority in a single afternoon. This shows how these great countries are facing their responsibilities."

"We propose nothing so drastic, but we are armed with full powers for the defense of the realm. We have great powers to deal with drink, and we mean to use them. We shall use them in a spirit of moderation and wisely, but quite fearlessly, and no doubt the country will support our action."

The trip to the Orient of a Chinese baseball team from Hawaii is a sports evangelism that should do real good. It is a common saying that baseball pacified the Philippines. Once China and Japan assimilate baseball as the national sport, with their own big leagues and the Oriental championship series at the end of every season, there will be less talk of demands and concessions and garrisons and fleet demonstrations. The fans of Peking and Tokio will be much more absorbed in learning whether Ah Sin, the star southpaw, can strike out Nippon's heaviest batter, Hashimura, than in shouting belligerent defiance across the Yellow Sea.

Japan's determination not to send a military expedition to Europe is wise. It is also natural. Japanese desire no aggression either in Europe or in America. They aspire to the acknowledged leadership in Asia and they are moving steadily toward such leadership. Japan could gain nothing by an expedition to Europe that she cannot get by other means and with less cost of lives, money and international friendships.

Russia is streaming down into the plains of Hungary for the sixteenth time since the official announcer got going.

Working the recall on military observers in the war zone may be a new line in service politics.

All the man with the war map and red-headed pins has to do these days is to let 'em stick around in one place.

Germany's campaign of attrition looks more like a campaign of irritation.

It's a wise nation that knows its own neutrality.

## Letters or TIMELY TOPICS

(The Star-Bulletin invites free and rank discussion in this column on all legitimate subjects of current interest. Communications are constantly received to which no signature is attached. This paper will treat as confidential signatures to letters if the writers so desire, but cannot give space for anonymous communications.)

### PUBLISHING RELIGIOUS NEWS.

April 2, 1915.  
Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin.  
Sir:—On behalf of the Inter-Church Federation I want to thank you for the good publicity your paper has given the noon meetings at the Young Hotel and Holy Week in general. Both through the news columns and the articles on the editorial page on the "Events of Our Lord's Passion" you have called the attention of the entire community to the fact that religion has a place in the life of the city. We believe such does much toward building up the best life of the people of the territory.

Yours truly,  
LOYD R. KILLAM,  
Secretary Inter-Church Federation.

### TOO SPEEDY A DRIVER.

Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin.  
Sir: I have noticed in your paper quite a number of protests against the mail collector who drives the

green auto from box to box, taking up the deposited letters. I have noticed personally that he has seemingly placed that in cockroach of his in a position to delay the street car traffic at times, and from the look on his face one would think that it was done on purpose.

Yesterday he drove the machine down the mauka side of King street from Fort street to Bishop, and whirled up that street on the Ewa side, cutting the corner so close as to nearly capsize a person who had just started across Bishop street, not expecting an auto to come upon him at that particular point from the direction it did. There was a traffic police officer stationed at that point at the time, and the writer would like to know why he did not arrest this breaker of the law. Any one else would have been hauled over the coals for such an infringement of the ordinance in effect.

The driver of this machine seems to take an insane delight in breaking every law of the road, and there does not seem to be an officer with power enough to hold him up. Mail or no mail, the United States will not back up any person who willfully disobeys the laws of the road. If the authorities are afraid of becoming liable for delaying the mails, then make a test case of it after he has finished his work. At least let them have enough spunk to find out where they are at when it comes to law or no law.

PEDESTRIAN.

vania before returning to the southern islands.

ARTHUR HEYWOOD has arrived from Honolulu for a short visit before going East. He will be in New York for two weeks and make a longer stay here on his return. Mr. Heywood was a popular bachelor of San Francisco society before he went to Hawaii to accept an important position with the Standard Oil Company. —San Francisco Bulletin.

DR. A. H. BOEHMER, medical advisor to the king of Siam, who has been identified with the court and professional life of the kingdom for more than a score of years, is a passenger in the Pacific Mail liner Siberia to the United States and Europe. Dr. Boehmer is expected to be able to cross the fighting zone and pass some weeks at his home in Holland. This is the first vacation taken by him in many years.

ABRAHAM LEWIS, born and educated in Gilroy, now of the Sandwich Islands, and vice president and manager of the Bank of Hawaii, conveys the pleasant intelligence by letter to his mother and other relatives in this city, that he will make them a visit some time in the coming July. This is good news not only to his relatives but a host of friends here besides. —San Jose, Cal., Mercury.

RAY WOOLF of Lake Shore left on Tuesday evening for Honolulu to take up his interests in the newly installed jitney service between that city and Schofield Barracks. He is one of the stockholders of the company. He will spend six days at San Francisco visiting friends and relatives and attending the fair. He will also be a guest of Pete Ebert, a graduate of the Vancouver high school, now a student at the Berkeley University. Mr. Woolf will sail on March 24—Vancouver, Wash., Columbian.

MR. and MRS. HOWARD D. CASE, the latter a charming girl of North Yakima, Wash., arrived this morning on the Sierra and will make their home in Honolulu. Mr. Case is a member of the Star-Bulletin reporter staff and left a month ago to claim his bride in the north-west, his former home. Mrs. Case (Catherine E. MacConnell) is the daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth MacConnell of North Yakima. They were married on March 13 in North Yakima and on their honeymoon trip stopped in Seattle and San Francisco, visiting the exposition for several days. They have taken up their residence at Cressaty's.

BRITISH-HAWAIIANS ARRIVE IN LONDON.  
LONDON, Eng., April 5.—Eleven Britons, who gave up responsible positions on sugar plantations in Hawaii and paid their own traveling expenses, have arrived in London after a 9000-mile trip and enlisted in the army. The party started with 14, but three joined regiments in Canada. Most of the men are Scots.

BELGIANS RECAPTURE HOTLY CONTESTED VILLAGE.  
PARIS, France, April 5.—The recapture of Reigneville, a village south of Dixmude, in Flanders, is announced in the midnight bulletin of the French government. The village was lost to the Germans by the Belgians, Saturday.

## Personal Mention

DR. F. HEDEMANN of Honolulu is at the Cliff, San Francisco.

FRANCIS GAY, the Kauai planter, is an arrival at Honolulu in the steamer Kinau.

MR. and MRS. L. E. DAVIS are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a daughter last Friday.

J. N. S. WILLIAMS left for the coast in the British steamer Niagara yesterday afternoon.

MRS. R. S. LOWENSTEIN and family of Manila are proceeding to San Francisco in the Siberia.

JOHN W. CATHCART, city and county attorney, is confined to his home through illness today.

FORMER GOVERNOR FREAR is recuperating from the effects of a fall received a few days ago while riding on the Tantalus road.

WILL COOPER, editor of the Maui News, is a visitor to the city. He will look in on the territorial legislature before returning to his duties.

MR. CHARLES H. W. NORTON and Miss Emily A. Cross will be married this afternoon at 4 o'clock in St. Elizabeth's chapel, the Rev. Canon Potwine officiating.

D. F. O'HARRAN is returning to the United States in the Pacific Mail liner Siberia after completing a round trip tour of the Pacific. He has spent some time in Australia and New Zealand.

D. H. BLAKE, representing the American Trading Company with headquarters at Yokohama, is numbered with the through passengers to the mainland in the Pacific Mail liner Siberia.

FATHER C. M. GLEASON, chaplain in the United States navy stationed in Asiatic waters for a number of years, is a through passenger in the Siberia to the mainland. He is on leave of absence.

MR. and MRS. SMITH DANDRIDGE on Saturday celebrated their golden wedding at the home of their daughter, Mrs. J. K. Mokumala, at Moanalua. They have 18 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

MR. and MRS. WILL WAYNE have given up their cottage at the Royal Hawaiian hotel, which was taken early in the year and retained until the close of the 1915 Carnival, and have taken up their residence in their recently acquired home at 1587 Lunalilo street.

ROBERT E. MURPHY of the Manila Bulletin, and representing the Manila Ad Club, is a passenger on the liner Siberia on his way to the states for a vacation after five years of activity in the Philippines. He will visit the exposition, take in the Elks' convention at Los Angeles and make a trip to his former home in Pennsylvania.

## FOR SALE

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Five-room cottage with furniture close to "Kaneohe Hale" and very close to the beach. The house has large living room, 2 bedrooms, front and back lanais and kitchen. The lot is about 100x100 feet. If you wish a summer home on the windward side of the island, close to swimming, boating and fishing, see this property at once.

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